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AMENDMENT

This amendment is in response to the Official Action dated June 15, 2001. A petition for an extension of time is enclosed herewith extending the response period to Monday, December 17, 2001.

Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE TITLE:

Replace the title with the following title: --METHOD FOR APPLYING SYNTACTIC FOAM THERMAL INSULATION TO A LENGTH OF PIPE--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 2, 3, 6, 7, 11 and 13-17.

Please amend claims 1, 4, 5, 8-10, 10 and 12 follows: